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By ECF

The Honorable Judge Castel
United States District Judge
Southern District of Texas
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York, 10007

Re: United States v. Guillermo Perez, 19-cr-781

Dear Judge Castel,

On or about October 26, 2021, defense counsel and the government spoke on the phone about pre-trial disposition and about a possible extension of the pre-trial conference set for October 28, 2021. Both the defense and the government agree that a 30-day extension would allow defense counsel and the government an opportunity to complete pre-trial discussions about the final disposition of this case. Therefore, please allow this letter to serve as a request for the conference set for October 28, 2021 be adjourned for a month.

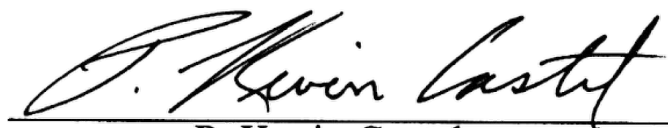
The defense further requests, with the consent of the Government, that the Court exclude time between today and the date the Court schedules the pre-trial conference pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7). The Defense and the government submit that the ends of justice served by the exclusion outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Alexander J. Houthuijzen

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Upon the application of defense counsel, consented to by the government, the conference originally scheduled for October 28, 2021 is adjourned to December 6, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. and will proceed by videoconference. I find that the ends of justice will be served by granting a continuance and that taking such action outweighs the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. The reasons for this finding are that the grant of the continuance is necessary to parties to complete pre-trial discussions about the final disposition of this case. Accordingly, the time between today and December 6, 2021 is excluded.
SO ORDERED.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "P. Kevin Castel", is written over a horizontal line.

P. Kevin Castel
United States District Judge

10/27/2021